

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 DISTRICT OF NEVADA
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4 LEE REED,

5 Plaintiff,

6 v.

7 STATE OF NEVADA ex rel. NEVADA
8 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, *et*
9 *al.*,

10 Defendants.

Case No. 2:20-cv-0623-RFB-DJA

ORDER

11 This action began with a pro se civil rights complaint filed pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §
12 1983 by a state prisoner. Plaintiff has submitted an application to proceed *in forma*
13 *pauperis*. ECF No. 1-1. Based on the financial information provided, the Court finds
14 that Plaintiff is unable to prepay the full filing fee in this matter.

15 The Court entered a screening order on April 13, 2021. ECF No. 6. The
16 screening order imposed a 90-day stay and the Court entered a subsequent order in
17 which the parties were assigned to mediation by a court-appointed mediator. ECF Nos.
18 6, 10. The Office of the Attorney General has filed a status report indicating that
19 settlement has not been reached and informing the Court of its intent to proceed with
20 this action. ECF No. 12.

21 For the foregoing reasons, **THE COURT ORDERS** that:

22 1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (ECF No. 1-1) is
23 **GRANTED**. Plaintiff is permitted to maintain this action to conclusion without the
24 necessity of prepayment of the filing fee in full or part, or prepayment of any additional
25 fees or costs, or the giving of security therefor.

26 2. This order granting leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* shall not extend to
27 the issuance and/or service of subpoenas at government expense.
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1 3. While Plaintiff is not required to pre-pay the filing fee in full or part, the full
2 filing fee must still be paid by Plaintiff pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2). Accordingly,
3 Plaintiff is required to make monthly payments of 20% of the preceding month's income
4 credited to his account. The Nevada Department of Corrections shall determine and
5 forward this monthly payment from the account of Plaintiff **LEE REED, #1105428**, to the
6 Clerk of the United States District Court, District of Nevada, in each month that the
7 account balance exceeds \$10.00 until the full \$350.00 filing fee has been paid for this
8 action. The Clerk of the Court shall **SEND** a copy of this order to the Finance Division
9 of the Clerk's Office. The Clerk of the Court shall also **SEND** a copy of this order to the
10 attention of the Chief of Inmate Services for the Nevada Department of Corrections,
11 P.O. Box 7011, Carson City, NV 89702.

12 4. The Clerk of the Court shall electronically **SERVE** a copy of this order and
13 a copy of Plaintiff's complaint (ECF No. 7) on the Office of the Attorney General of the
14 State of Nevada by adding the Attorney General of the State of Nevada to the docket
15 sheet. This does not indicate acceptance of service.

16 5. Service must be perfected within 90 days from the date of this order
17 pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m).

18 6. Subject to the findings of the screening order (ECF No. 6), within 21 days
19 of the date of entry of this order, the Attorney General's Office shall file a notice advising
20 the Court and Plaintiff of: (a) the names of the defendants for whom it accepts service;
21 (b) the names of the defendants for whom it does not accept service, and (c) the names
22 of the defendants for whom it is filing the last-known-address information under seal.
23 As to any of the named defendants for whom the Attorney General's Office cannot
24 accept service, the Office shall file, under seal, but shall not serve the inmate Plaintiff
25 the last known addresses of those defendants for whom it has such information. If the
26 last known address of a defendant is a post office box, the Attorney General's Office
27 shall attempt to obtain and provide the last known physical address.
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1 7. If service cannot be accepted for any named defendant, Plaintiff shall file a
2 motion identifying the unserved defendant, requesting issuance of a summons, and
3 specifying a full name and address for the defendant. For each defendant as to which
4 the Attorney General has not provided the defendant's last-known-address, Plaintiff
5 shall provide the full name and address for the defendant.

6 8. If the Attorney General accepts service of process for a named defendant,
7 each such defendant shall file and serve an answer or other response to the complaint
8 (ECF No. 7) within sixty (60) days from the date of this order.

9 9. Plaintiff shall serve upon defendants or, if an appearance has been
10 entered by counsel, upon their attorneys, a copy of every pleading, motion or other
11 document submitted for consideration by the Court. If Plaintiff electronically files a
12 document with the Court's electronic-filing system, no certificate of service is required.
13 Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(d)(1)(B); Nev. Loc. R. IC 4-1(b); Nev. Loc. R. 5-1. However, if Plaintiff
14 mails the document to the Court, Plaintiff shall include with the original document
15 submitted for filing a certificate stating the date that a true and correct copy of the
16 document was mailed to the defendants or counsel for the defendants. If counsel has
17 entered a notice of appearance, Plaintiff shall direct service to the individual attorney
18 named in the notice of appearance, at the physical or electronic address stated therein.
19 The Court may disregard any document received by a district judge or magistrate judge
20 which has not been filed with the Clerk, and any document received by a district judge,
21 magistrate judge, or the Clerk which fails to include a certificate showing proper service
22 when required.

23 10. This case is no longer stayed.

24 DATED this 21st day of June 2021.

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27 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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